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TAGS ASEC  
SUBJ: SOUTH AUSTRALIAN POLICE COMMISSIONER SACKED

REF MANILA 1018 NOTAL MELBOURNE 0111

1. S.A.' NEW POLICE COMMISSIONER IS MR L. D. DRAPER, 54,  
WHO HAS BEEN WITH S. A.'S POLICE FOR 37 1/2 YEARS PROGRESSING  
THROUGH THE RANKS TO THE TOP TWO POSITIONS. HE'S BEEN DEPUTY  
COMMISSIONER SINCE 1972 AND WAS O.I.C. POLICE DEPT'S MANAGEMENT  
SERVICES DIVISION.

2. PREMIER, DON DUNSTAN, SACKED MR SALISBURY FOLLOWING  
DISCLOSURE OF ACTING JUSTICE J. M. WHITE'S 136-PAGE REPORT  
SPECIFYING THAT THE SPECIAL BRANCH KEPT 3000 SECRET FILES AND  
MORE THAN 40,000 PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS UNDER SURVEILLANCE.  
THOSE KEPT "UNDER NOTICE" INCLUDED COURT JUDGES, ALL ALP  
AND VERY FEW LIBERAL OR COUNTRY PARTY PARLIAMENTARIANS, FORMER  
GOVERNORS, UNION OFFICIALS, PROMINENT DEMONSTRATORS, CLERGYMEN,  
AND ACADEMICS.  
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3. ACCORDING TO PRESS VERSION, JUSTICE WHITE STATED IN HIS REPORT THA  
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SOME OF THE FILES WERE "SOMETIMES SCANDALOUSLY INACCURATE,  
IRRELEVANT TO SECURITY PURPOSES AND OUTRAGEOUSLY UNFAIR TO  
HUNDREDS, PERHAPS THOUSANDS, OF LOYAL AND WORTHY CITIZENS."  
HE ALSO EXPRESSED VIEW "THAT COMMUNIST PARTIES

AND MEMBERS ARE SECURITY RISKS ON THE BASIS OF POTENTIAL  
ESPIONAGE, POTENTIAL DOMESTIC SUBVERSION OR BOTH." ON BOTH THE  
WORKER STUDENT ALLIANCE AND COMBINED REVOLUTIONARY GROUP JUSTICE  
WHITE  
IS QUOTED AS STATING: "THERE IS SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE IN SPECIAL  
BRANCH FILES TO INDICATE ALMOST TOTAL COMMUNIST INFLUENCE AND  
A READINESS TO RESORT TO FORCE OR VIOLENCE WHENEVER OPPORTUNITY  
ARISES TO WARRANT SECURITY INFORMATION BEING KEPT  
ABOUT THIS ALLIANCE AND ITS MEMBERS, PROVIDED THE NORMAL  
LIMITATIONS ARE APPLIED TO PROTECT OTHERS WHO ASSOCIATED WITH  
THEM, EITHER UNWITTINGLY OR IN PURSUIT OF OTHER UNEXCEPTIONABLE  
OBJECTIVES."  
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